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SUBJ: CSCE: MPT-3 ROUND UP: HUMAN CONTACTS, CULTURAL AND  
EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE, INFORMATION

REF: HELSINKI 896 AND 903

BEGIN SUMMARY. THERE FOLLOWS A SUMMARY REPORT ON THE STATE OF  
PLAY AT THE END OF MPT-3 ON MANDATE ON DEVELOPMENT OF HUMAN  
CONTACTS, BROADENING OF CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGES, AND  
WIDER FLOW OF INFORMATION. HARDENING OF SOVIET POSITION ON  
HUMAN CONTACTS AND GDR' S WATERING DOWN OF DISSEMINATION OF IN-  
FORMATION PROPOSALS ( REFTELS) PRESAGE HARD NEGOTIATIONS IN MPT-4  
ON THIS MANDATE. DURING RECESS, US AND ITS ALLIES WILL NEED TO  
CONSIDER CAREFULLY SOME OF THE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS WHICH EASTERN  
COUNTER- PROPOSALS HAVE RAISED. END SUMMARY.

1. STATUS OF WORK. MPT WORKING GROUP TURNED TO BASKET III ON  
MARCH 29 AND HAD FIVE MEETINGS ON THIS SUBJECT. SOVIETS OPENED  
WITH HEAVILY- CAVEATED " CHAPEAU" FOR MANDATE. IN EFFORT TO MAIN-  
TAIN INITIATIVE AND GAIN NEUTRAL SUPPORT, DENMARK TABLED SHORT-  
ENED VERSION OF ALLIED MANDATE, WHICH DID IN FACT BECOME FOCAL  
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POINT OF MOST SUBSEQUENT COMMENTS. AUSTRIA TABLED A DRAFT CHAPEAU WHICH PRETENDS TO ESTABLISH MIDDLE GROUND BETWEEN SOVIET AND DANISH VERSIONS, BUT WHICH, IN FACT, LEANS HEAVILY TOWARDS WESTERN SUBSTANTIVE POSITION.

2. POLAND, CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND GDR TABLED PAPERS ON CULTURAL COOPERATION, EDUCATIONAL COOPERATION, AND EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION, RESPECTIVELY, WHICH WERE SUPERFICIALLY PATTERNED AFTER THE DANISH MANDATE BUT DIFFER IN SEVERAL IMPORTANT DETAILS. ZORIN TOOK FIRM STANCE IN WORKING GROUP AGAINST INCLUSION IN HUMAN CONTACTS MANDATE OF MARRIAGE ISSUE, REUNIFICATION OF FAMILIES, AND FACILITATING TRAVEL, BUT SOVIETS PRIVATELY FLOATED WHAT AMOUNTS TO DRAFT MANDATE ON HUMAN CONTACTS BASED ESSENTIALLY ON ORIGINAL SOVIET MANDATE PROPOSAL BUT WHICH MAKES SLIGHT BOW IN WESTERN DIRECTION BY INCLUDING REFERENCE TO TRAVEL AND FACILITATING CONTACTS AND PERSONAL MEETINGS ON BASIS FAMILY AND RELATIONSHIP TIES ( HELSINKI 896).

3. IT IS APPARENT, THEREFORE, THAT PARTICIPANTS ARE NOT CLOSE TO AGREEMENT AND THAT INTENSIVE WORK AND DIFFICULT CONCESSIONS WILL BE REQUIRED TO NEGOTIATE AGREED MANDATES IN MPT-4.

4. KEY ISSUES. EASTERN COUNTER- PROPOSALS HAVE RAISED SEVERAL QUESTIONS WHICH WE BELIEVE WILL HAVE TO BE EXAMINED DURING THE RECESS. WE RECOGNIZE THAT TACTICAL SITUATION IN MPT-4 MAY REQUIRE THAT ALLIES STICK FIRMLY TO ORIGINAL POSITIONS, BUT WE DO THINK IT MOST IMPORTANT TO KNOW IN ADVANCE THE BARGAINING POSSIBILITIES SO THAT ALLIES CAN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF POSITIVE OPENINGS.

5. PRINCIPAL QUESTIONS WHICH OCCUR TO US FOLLOW:

A. WHAT TYPE CAVEATS, IF ANY, IS US WILLING TO ACCEPT IN CHAPEAU FOR THIS MANDATE, IN LIGHT OF SOVIET DETERMINATION TO BUILD IN AS MANY SAFEGUARDS AS POSSIBLE?

B. ARE WE WILLING TO PRESS FOR PROPOSAL ON IMPROVING CONDITIONS FOR MARRIAGE BETWEEN NATIONALS OF PARTICIPATING STATES, IN VIEW OF SOVIET OPPOSITION AND INSISTENCE THAT THIS IS PURELY AN INTERNAL OR BILATERAL MATTER? ( COMMENT: USNATO MAY WISH TO DETERMINE HOW HARD FRG, WHICH PROPOSED THIS MEASURE IN THE FIRST PLACE, IS WILLING TO ARGUE FOR IT. END COMMENT.)  
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C. ASSUMING THAT WE WILL WISH TO RETAIN MEASURE ON REUNIFICATION OF FAMILIES, COULD WE ACCEPT IT FURTHER DOWN ON LIST OF MEASURES?

D. DO WE WISH TO MAINTAIN CLEAR DISTINCTION BETWEEN " TRAVEL," WHICH INTENDED TO COVER SUCH MATTERS AS EXIT VISAS, EMMIGRATION TAXES, AND DOMESTIC TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS, AND " TOURISM" WHICH APPEARS BOTH IN SOVIET DRAFT AND IN BASKET II?

C. IN LIGHT OF SOVIET SUSPICIONS, CAN WE BARGAIN AWAY PROPOSAL FOR EXCHANGE OF EXPERIENCE IN TEACHING METHODS IN THE FIELD OF ADULT AND BUSINESS EDUCATION?

F. HOW SHOULD WE RESPOND TO CZECHOSLOVAK PROPOSALS THAT AGREEMENTS ON EQUIVALENCE OF DEGREES BE A PREREQUISITE TO BROADENING ADMISSION OF STUDENTS AND TEACHERS TO UNIVERSITIES IN PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES AND THAT " RESPECT FOR OTHER PEOPLES" BE OBSERVED IN SCHOOL TEXT BOOKS?

G. IN GENERAL, CAN WE ACCEPT A REORDERING OF SUB- COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS IN THE MANDATE IF WE CAN GET SUBSTANTIVE SATISFACTION ON SPECIFIC MEASURES?

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